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House Bill 691

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By: Representatives Drenner of the 86th, Dobbs of the 53rd, Benfield of the 85th, Williams of the 89th, Williams of the 165th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 46-3-56 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 requirement to purchase energy from customer generator and safety standards and
- 3 regulations, so as to exclude solar photovoltaic energy from certain considerations; to
- 4 provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 Code Section 46-3-56 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to requirement to
- 8 purchase energy from customer generator and safety standards and regulations, is amended
- 9 by revising subsection (a) as follows:
- 10 "(a) An electric service provider will only be required to purchase energy as specified in
- 11 Code Section 46-3-55 from an eligible customer generator on a first-come, first-served
- basis until the cumulative generating capacity of all renewable energy sources, excluding
- 13 <u>solar photovoltaic</u>, equals 0.2 percent of the utility's annual peak demand in the previous
- 14 year; provided, however, that no electric service provider will be required to purchase such
- energy at a price above avoided energy cost unless that amount of energy has been
- subscribed under any renewable energy program."

SECTION 2.

- 18 This Act shall become effective on the first day of the month following the month in which
- 19 it is approved by the Governor or in which it becomes law without such approval.

SECTION 3.

21 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.